WASHINGTON CITY:

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 21, 1869. READING MATTER ON EVERY PAGE. SER OUTSIDE FOR INTERESTING TELE.

RECEPTIONS.

GRAPHIC AND OTHER MATTER.

WE ARE AUTHORIZED TO ANNOUNCE that the Ladies of the Executive Mansion, Mrs. Patterson and Mrs. Stover, will be at home on Monday evenings, after seven o'clock. The evening has been fixed upon for the drawing-room receptions of the ladies in lieu of the afternoon as during last season, and they will receive every Monday evening until further notice.

MRS. POSTMASTER GENERAL RANDALL WILL hold receptions on Wednesday afternoons of each week. THE LADIES OF SECRETARY BROWNING'S

FAMILY will receive their friends, as usual, on Wednesday's, from 12 to 4 o'clock, p. m. Residence en Montgomery street, Georgetown Heights.

SPEAKER COLPAX'S RECEPTIONS are to be every Friday evening, from 8% to 11 p. m. The receptions of the Speaker's mother and sister, Mrs. and Miss Matthews, for ladies, and gentlemen accompanying them, will be every Wednesday afternoon, from 1 to 4 p. m.

HORSE-FLESH FOR FOOD. A movement has been seriously and energetcally inaugurated in England to introduce horse-flesh as an article of food. The second "horse dinner" took place at Longham's on the 6th of February, and was a success. The previous experimental dinner at Francotelli's was limited to twenty-two persons. On this occasion the largest room at the Longham Hotel was crowded, and artists, surgeons, physicians, literateurs, members of Parliament, barristers, club men, and men about town, assembled to discuss in a fair but decidedly impartial spirit the dishes set before them. There was little to conciliate beforehand; a good price was charged for the dinner, a guinea and a half to each participant, and those who paid it probably did so in the spirit, cynical or otherwise, of gastronomic inquiry. The prevailing tone was jocular. Maps of the dining room and plans of the dinner tables were treated as parts of a huge joke. The arrangements were careful and decorous in the extreme. Each visitor found his name and number on reference to the plans. But hilarity reigned supreme, and as a journalist, a radical member, an academician, a queen's counsel, a sergeant-at-law, a dignitary of the church-and all these were present-came forward, the recognition grew heartier and heartier until dinner was announced. Underlying the inevitable jocularity of the occasion was a deep feeling that the new food might prove serviceable to the community, and that it was the duty of all present to give it trial, without Hon. C. H. Winfield, Senate Chamber, Trenton, "fear, tavor or affection." So keenly was this felt, that some earnest philanthropists thought the jests in the bill of fare too light, and complained that a grave philosophic experiment should be associated with either playfulness or humor. The dinner proved to be all that the most fastidious epicure could desire. From the soup, which was pronounced excellent, to the hors d'autres, which were unexceptionable, the verdict was unanimously favorable. In a word. the people dining would have gone away perfectly satisfied without any special warning or preparation. The dishes seemed identical with those served at any set dinner in London or Paris. Great pains had been taken, and a thoroughly satisfactory result attained. Everybody dined on horse and made-dishes, just as if the principal material had been beef or mutton. Here and there a microscopic observation might detect a cynic who questioned his bread and butter, or, in other words, spoke critically of his horse-meat, but his questions invariably answered themselves, and left him clearing his plate. For nutritious soup, or made-dishes; for flet or cutlet, horseflesh, it seems, is absolutely

other ways is both palatable and nutritious. In England the result of the experiments has been to induce the belief that a new and permanent food-supply has been discovered, and that important social benefits will be the result. In this country, even supposing the common preudice against horse-meat could be overcome, it is not probable that the price of horse-flesh will soon come down to a point to make it an economical substitute for beef or mutton. Lamed and broken down horses might, to be sure, be fattened for the shambles, but we doubt if horse-flesh having these antecedents would present itself in an appetizing light to most consumers of meat.

scribed it as something between beef and game

best part of the ox. It is plain, not rich. For

beef tea" medical authorities pronounce it

decidedly more nutritious than other meats,

and it would seem that horse flesh cooked in

THE WORKING PROFI ".- A new society has been formed in the city of New York for the purpose of enabling workingmen desirous of procuring homes of their own to borrow money on a system of periodical investment. The plan adopted is to have each member pay, by monthly subscription, for a number of shares taken. and, when a sufficient sum of money has accumulated, an appropriation is made, on good bond and mortgage, the legal rate of interest be ng charged on the advances made, payable monthly. Members will also be allowed a participation in the profits arising from the accumulated interest on loans. An eight-hour bill has passed the California Legislature, There are 3,000 servant girls out of employment in New York city. Ten thousand mechanics pleas for work in Newark, N. J. It is announced that the mill of the Messrs. Sprague, at Baltic, Conn., is running full time with all ts machinery. The product for January exceeded that of any mouth for the last year. In New York, a co-operative building lot society is in operation, for the purchase of ground whereon to erect small dwellings for the working people.

THE WEEKLY STAR, now on our counter for sale and in wrappers ready for the mails, contains a capital story, entitled "Mad's Christmas Adventure"; the Grant-Hancock Correspondence; the Trial of Henry Johnson for the Murder of Thomas Smoot, and the acquittal of the prisoner; Reconstruction; the Quesof American Citizens abroad; Receplief of the Poor; Society News; Political News, Washington News and Gossip; the Courts; Movements of the Working People; Useful Items of Domestic Economy; Humorous Sketches; with Departmental, and Local News; Agricultural and Housekeeping Miscellany; and the latest Telegraphic Dispatches.

By From French & Richardson, and from J. Shillington we have advance copies of Har-

per's Magazine for March. Also, from Shillington we have the March number of Frank Leslie's Lady's Magazine.

THE JAPANESE are attracting full and fashionable houses at the National Theatre. This is their last night but one. Matinee to-morrow afternoon. AFFrom Blanchard & Mohun wa have

copy of Harper's Mogazine for March; also Harwater for February 20, with chapters of Wilkie Collins' new story "The Moonstone." NEW JERSEY is now proposing to follow

Ohio in withdrawing her assent to the fourteenth Constitutional amendment.

or The chain gang is in use in Richmond. Scarlet fever is epidemic in Ottaway,

* Flenty of labor in Kansas. Oleveland has a colored barber of the female persuasion.

The legit mate and illegitimate children of

Tom Sayers are at law for his property.

67 Sanday skating, with music, is the las phase of rinkemania in Quebec. The late Charles Kean lett nearly \$250,000, but he died from over-exertion earning it.

FROM CHINA, the correspondent of the New York Herald gives the history of Mr. Burlingame's appointment as Envoy of China to "the most favored nations," as the United States and the great powers of Europe are known in that country. The Chinese Cabinet it is said. influenced by the advice of the Dowager Empress, speaking in the name of the present Empero, her son, who is only ten years old, decid d in making a complete change in the natier al policy regarding foreigners. It was dee ded at the same council to tender the post of Plenipotentiary, with unlimited power of treaty action, to Mr. Burlingame, which was done to his great surprise. After due deliberation he accepted the post, and has set out from Pekin for San Francisco and Washington to

commence his labors. Mr. Burlingame is attended by a numerous suite, made up of men of learning and rank, and may be engaged in his mission during the next two years. His journey from Pekin to Tientsin, near the mouth of the Pei-ho river, the port of Pekin, was interrupted by threatening demonstrations on the part of native bandits, a class of men who have always infested the districts of China troubled by civil war. MAID SERVANT DEFSEES .- The English papers are calling for a reform in the dress of

lower class females, and maid servants in particular." Ladies of rank, it seems, feel themselves injured by the presumption of servant girls. There is a demand, therefore, among the upper classes for a dress reform in the lower classes. It is complained, too, that the girls spend all their earnings upon ribbons and feathers. The Saturday Review, however, very sensibly reminds the upper classes that they have a mote in their own eye, and says that the reform can be brought about in one way only: "The reaction in favor of a neat and simple style must come from above, and not from below-in the way of example, not precept. When ladies of fortune and position cease to lavish their thousands on millinery, their copyists in the nursery and kitchen will cease to spend their wages on a similar object."

AMENDMENT OF THE USURY LAWS -- By the report elsewhere, it will be seen that Senator Harlan, from the District Committee, reported a bill to-day to amend the usury laws of this District, making the rate of interest six per cent, "unless a different rate is expressed in writing." Parties may agree in writing for the payment of interest net exceeding ten per cent. We have repeatedly urged in these columns the desirability of amending the onerous usury laws prevailing here, and are glad to see that a step is being taken in that direction.

REVERDY JOHNSON AND THE CONSTITE-TIONAL AMENDMENT.-The following letter is published in the New York World of yesterday:

SENATE CHAMBER, January 30. Dear Sir: I have your favor of the 28th. If the constitutional amendment to which you re-fer has not been already ratified by the requisite number of States to make it a part of the Constitution, I think that any State which has assented to it can withdraw that assent; and although it is the opinion of some persons that it has received the sanction required by the Constitution, that is not my opinion.

New Jersey. E. A. POLLARD, Esq., of Richmond, de- For sale at livered a lecture in Baltimore last evening upon the political prospects of the South. He urged extreme views and declared his belief that a war of races would take place in the South.

SPECIAL NOTICE—The Fourth Annual Supper of the COLUMBIA PRESSMEN'S SOCIETY, (Letter Press Printers,) will take place on SATURDAY EVENING, 22d inst., at 8 o'clock. Members will be punctual. By order of the PRESIDENT. ATTENTION, JONADABS .- COUNCIL No. 1 will meet at the hall, 7th and Data. ING, for the purpose of visiting the Fair of Columbia Livision, Son: of Temperance, at the Navy Yard. Every Brother is expected to be present.

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unrecognizable from beef. Those who have de-SUNDAY EVENING, FEB 23d, at 7% o'clock. Subject: labored under a delusion. It is beef without LUTHER AND THE REFORMATION. fat. The fat of horses melts in cooking, and Tickets 10 cents each. Sold at all the Catholic Book Stores, and at the Hall on the night of the Lecture. fe 21-2t becomes oil. Hence, according to physiologists, the great recommendation of this flesh is that it is easily digested food. But the plain joint is slightly less toothsome in consequence. The meat is excellent, but the absence of fatty substances makes it seem rather like the second

JEFFERSON CIRCLE, No. 5, BROTHERHOOD OF THE UNION —A meeting
of this Circle will be held on FRIDAY, Feb. 21st,
at the Hall, No. 3567th st., between I street and
Mass. ave., at 7½ o'clock p. m. Members are requested to be punctual. By order.

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CONGRESSIONAL. SENATE.—Yesterday afternoon—
The Supplementary Reconstruction act was debated up to the hour of adjournment by Messrs. Trumbull and Mr. Davis.

House.—Yesterday after report closed—Mr. Logan, having had read by the Clerk the response of the Secretary of the Treasury, under date of January 28, to an inquiry in reference to the substitution of Ten-forty bonds for Five-twenties, on deposit in the Treasury, to secure the circulation of national banks, asserted that the sales of Ten-forties (to the amount of eight millions) from the 1st of Octoamount of eight millions) from the 1st of October, 1967, to the 21st of January, 1868, made by order of the Secretary, were (with the excepthan the regular quotations in the New York market He had calculated the differences and found that the Government had lost \$21,261, besides the commission of one-eighth of one per cent, given to Jay Cooke & Company, and amounting to \$10,177, making the whole loss \$31,441. He also referred to a letter purporting to be written by the Secretary of the Treasury to a gentleman controlling a national bank, stating that he would accept Ten-forties in lieu of Five-twenties, at 57 %, while in his report the Secretary says they had never been received at higher than 85. Having made his statement, he higher than 85. Having made his statement, he asked leave to offer a resolution directing the Secretary of the Treasury to inform the House whether such letter (dated December 30,) was signed by him, to whom it was addressed, and whether the propositions therein contained were complied with by the party to whom it was addressed; also whether the sales of Ten-forty bonds from October 16, 1967, January 10, 1968, were at rates equal to the daily quets. :e, 1868, were at rates equal to the daily quota tions in New York, &c.

The resolution was adopted. The army appropriation bill was then taken up. The vote was taken by yeas and nays on the proviso looking to the reduction of the army, and it was adopted—yeas, 67; nays, 62—and the bill then passed—63 to 36.

Mr. Logan moved to amend the title of the bill by adding to it the words, "and to deprive all non-commissioned and volunteer officers in the service of the United States of promotion under the law as it now stands." Mr. Logan declared that the proviso deprived every non-commissioned officer of his right to be examined for a commission, and operated as

The discussion was continued in an animated style by Messrs. Blaine, Logan, Schenck, Butler, Bontwell, Banks and Paine.
Finally the vote on the passage of the bill was reconsidered, and Mr. Blaine withdrew the objectionable proviso.

The bill was then passed without the proviso

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